

# ARE BALL PLAYERS OF TODAY FAST AS THOSE OF EARLY 90'S?

the teams in the National League and the American League. Without a moment's hesitation, he replied: "There is not what might be called a strictly high-class team among them, if baseball is to be judged by what it has been, and what it can be. Don't misunderstand me, I do not say that the teams of this year are not playing good baseball and interesting baseball up to their abilities. In the National League there are five organizations which are well mated, although St. Louis is way ahead of its normal speed, and will surely falter. In the American League two teams stand out above all the others."

ager can at least be given credit for having analyzed the league races very closely. Furthermore, if one talks with the oldtimers in baseball, 90 per cent of them will be found to hold the same opinion, which brings the question right back to that old theory which is discussed and argued, discussed and argued again, and always will be—100 years from now—"do they play ball to-day better than they played twenty years ago?" They may refer by that time to the baseball of fifty years ago, for a second generation will be engaged in the sport, but the argument will always be ready.

ber of the dead sailors of the Maine will shortly be brought north. I would be glad if you would make the transportation of the remains one of dignity, befitting the fact that they lost their lives for their country. I would like, if possible, to have the remains brought up in one of our large vessels, convoyed by another."

In the act directing the removal of the wreck of the Maine it was provided that all bodies recovered therefrom should be given honorable burial in the Arlington National cemetery and that the mainmast of that vessel should be erected in that cemetery.

Enclosed is a copy of the act.

and football players that Hawaii is turning out, and with more system and care given to local meets, it is believed that even better performances will result.

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## McGRAW SAYS CUBAN PLAYERS ONLY FAIR

NEW YORK, N. Y. — John J. McGraw, manager of the New York National League baseball club, which is just back from its successful invasion of Cuba, has no extravagant opinion of the Cuban ball players. He is a dual

Norman Selby, known to the prize ring as "Kid McCoy," was granted a discharge in bankruptcy in the United States District Court in New York recently. This is Selby's second bankruptcy. His first discharge was granted in June, 1964. In his last schedule Selby gave his liabilities as \$21,470 with no assets.

A cross-country run has been arranged for January 12, in which all students are eligible. So far there are twelve entries, among whom are some star long distance men.

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## HILDRETH AGAIN LEADS WINNERS

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Sam C. Hildreth again leads the list of winning owners in the Jockey Club's list of prizes taken during the season of 1911. The attainment of the sport is sufficiently indicated by the fact that

primarily to the training he experienced while playing soccer. In fact, the athlete from Broken Bow, Neb., entered upon a soccer career before he had ever participated in the American game.

Dalton broke into the game as a member of the St. Louis Amateur Soccer League, and it was here that he learned the fleetness of foot and how to kick with the accuracy and distance which characterized his performances for the Navy on the gridiron this season.

The success of Dalton emphasizes the value of the training he received

bodies or bones, of the sixty victims of the Maine disaster recently recovered from the wreck in Havana harbor. The Utah and Florida now are cruising in southern waters. They are under orders to visit Galveston,

"We have experimented with ammunition that has been held in reserve seven or eight years and have found no deterioration of importance," said Gen. Crozier. "The smokeless powder is more likely to deteriorate than the

LITTLE COIN FOR WHITE HOPE

Carl Morris, who put Al Williams away in three rounds at the Broadwa

A writer in the *Harpers Weekly* says of this great professional: "In my opinion

Bopehead Bill saw a chance for victor  
So he stole third base with the bases  
full."

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Many a man's wisdom is taken for  
granted because of the smart thing

139 Clerk street, corner of Carteret  
avenue, Jersey City, N. J.," were the  
only clues by which to trace the man's  
identity. He was apparently about 50  
years old

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